INEEL extends public comment period on draft Community Relations Plan

The U.S. Department of Energy is asking for the public to comment on its draft Community Relations Plan for the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory Environmental Restoration Program. Cleanup activities at the INEEL are managed under the Idaho Completion Project. The public comment period has been extended to run through August 7.

The plan, last updated in **1995**, is a guide for the public on the opportunities to become informed and involved in the cleanup process at the lab's desert facilities related to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability and Compensation Act \neg or Superfund. It provides background information and a brief history of the cleanup work taking place under the 1991 Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order. Under Superfund, the DOE, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the state of Idaho are committed to providing the public with unbiased information to assist in making cleanup decisions. Key community **concerns** about DOE's public involvement process are addressed in this plan.

By commenting on the Community Relations plan, stakeholders can offer input that the agencies can use to tailor public information and involvement materials and meetings to better meet stakeholder needs. The Plan will be available in electronic format at www.inel.gov/environment, or hard copies can be requested by calling (208) 526-3183 or e-mail at campjl@inel.gov.Comments on the plan cam be made over the internet at http://www.inel.gov/environment/comments_crp.shtml or via postal mail to:

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